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## **CREST DRIVE COMMUNITY TEAM CSS PROCESS MEETING SUMMARY**

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### **Introduction**

On Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM, the CDCT met at Wayne Morse Ranch. In addition to holding its semi-regularly scheduled meeting, CDCT committee members and City staff participated in a neighborhood walking tour with the purpose of collecting and inventorying neighborhood attributes to be utilized throughout the context sensitive solutions process. A participant sign-in sheet is attached on page 5.

The meeting agenda, developed at the previous meeting as specified by the CDCT group agreements, follows:

- 1. Walking Tour (be ready to depart by 6:00pm)**
- 2. Agenda Review/Meeting Summary**
- 3. Community Comments**
- 4. Introductions**
- 5. CDCT Member Check-In**
- 6. Inventory Items from the Walking Tour**
- 7. Public Involvement Tools and Next Steps**
- 8. August 17 Meeting Preparation and Calendar Review**
- 9. Check-Out**

### **Walking Tour**

Once assembled at the Wayne Morse Ranch, City staff provided participants of the walking tour with area maps in addition to safety vests for increased visibility while walking on the neighborhood roads. One CDCT committee member also distributed maps identifying specific neighborhood tax lot data. Margot Helphand provided brief instructions to the group before starting the walking tour that included examples of things to consider and note while walking.

Participants began the tour by walking to the intersection of Crest Drive and Lincoln Street. After returning to Wayne Morse Ranch, participants were shuttled by van to the top of Crest Drive and later retrieved at the end of the tour at the intersection of 28<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Friendly Street. The walking tour finished at approximately 8:00 PM when all participants had returned to Wayne Morse Ranch.

### **Agenda Review/Meeting Summary – Community Comments – Introductions – Check-In**

When the meeting convened at Wayne Morse Ranch, the CDCT quickly moved through the agenda review, community comments, introductions and check-in then quickly began the walking tour inventorying process.

### **Inventory Items from Walking Tour**

During the walking tour, participants gathered information and recorded notes regarding the three identified street sections in the Crest Neighborhood. City staff had prepared a large format aerial map of the Crest Neighborhood with identified street sections highlighted. Margot facilitated the process of transferring and recording participant's notes onto the large format neighborhood map. City staff recorded participant's comments directly onto the map in addition to taking flip chart notes. Participants provided

detailed comments and observations from the walking tour as well as anecdotal experiences as residents of the neighborhood.

Notes captured on the flip charts are included here and follow the direction walked during the tour. A scanned version of the large format neighborhood map will be posted on the Crest Drive CSS website.

#### Intersection of Crest and Lincoln to Intersection of Crest and Storey

- Consider creating a gateway into the Crest Neighborhood from Willamette St.
- Bus stop located here
- Swale drop off - up and down
- The dog park at Wayne Morse lacks adequate parking (people illegally park)
- On-street parking on the lower section of Crest
- There is room for additional off-street parking lot (Wayne Morse area)
- No bike & pedestrian facilities
- Intersection of Lincoln and Crest is an invitation to speed
- Lack of crosswalks at Wayne Morse Ranch
- Pedestrians in the middle of the road
- No Parking signs on Lincoln - why are they there?
- Rural views
- Trees very close to Lincoln (north and southwest)
- South side of Crest near Lincoln has varied setbacks
- At Lincoln, there is boundary or different feel to the neighborhood
- Transit stops are awkward – buses must stop in the street (no parking bays)
- Pedestrians are fending for themselves
- North side of the street (Crest) is contoured
- Power lines are unattractive
- Park users (W.M.) experience more road noise (below grade)
- Several areas where wooden steps connect Crest with the dog park
- Area is rich with spontaneous pathways
- South side of Crest drainage carries lots of water, especially in the winter
- There are two streams (winter) within the dog park “bogs”
- There is an Oak tree canopy near the Wayne Morse park driveway
- The ditch on the south side of Crest is filled in for on-street parking

#### Intersection of Crest and Storey to Intersection of Crest and Blanton

- Very dangerous to walk
- Beautiful, dense canopy
- Deep culvert with large rocks near fire hydrant
- The Starling’s retaining wall
- Wildlife corridor (especially at night)
- Transitional zone, like a “welcome sign” (city to rural)
- Mature Oak trees lining the streets
- Curvy roads that are treacherous during freezes in the winter (many crashes going up or down)
- Great canopies – most intense foliage
- Canopy of overhead electrical lines
- Fewer cars
- Water tower area allows parking for cars during winter storms
- The water tower is a bus turn out/stop

- Huge EWEB manhole covers near water tower
- Major deer pathways
- Intersection (Storey and upper Crest) is awkward
- There is a shed very close to the road and intersection
- Lack of any bike and pedestrian facilities
- The bus stop is dangerous because there are no crosswalks
- There are 3 or 4 houses on Crest and Storey that are lower than street level with built up hedges
- Many trees and shrubs on Crest and Storey – screen bus stop and traffic
- Very narrow roadway (Storey)
- Homes on Storey are vulnerable to falling/unstable trees
- Trees might already be compromised
- Tightly packed trees
- Magnificent oak trees are essential to the area
- Can these streets be converted into a one-way couplet system (one-way up and one-way down)?
- The road is in better condition at the intersection of Blanton and Crest because it is County jurisdiction
- How often do power lines come down?
- EWEB trims trees with little care
- The intersection of Crest/Crest/Storey is very dangerous – drivers speed down from the Blanton/Crest intersection
- 70% of the drivers ignore the uphill stop sign at the Crest/Storey intersection
- There is a fair amount of City-owned land at the Crest/Storey intersection for alternative designs
- Does the intersection design promote running the stop signs?
- Trees are mangled here
- There should be a downhill stop sign
- There is a beautiful line of fir trees near the top of Crest Dr.
- There is room to build a path on the upper side of these trees (away from the road)
- The view from the Blanton/Crest intersection is beautiful
- There are no marked crosswalks at the Blanton/Crest intersection
- Is there a ROW easement on the west side of Crest Drive (near Blanton)?
- Bus stop at intersection
- Currently, there are no traffic calming measures – it is too easy to speed
- Options for intersection treatments
- Lack of marked pedestrian crossings at intersections

#### Intersection of Crest and Storey to Storey and Lorane

- Lack of on-street parking
- Least amount of visible housing
- Creeks run on both sides of Storey down to the intersection
- Constantly digging out the west side of the street – could build concrete structure w/ sidewalk
- Wildlife corridor
- No overhead power lines on this section of Storey
- Fastest traffic going down Storey towards the Lorane intersection
- Steep, long straight section = running stop sign
- East side of Storey has ivy, blackberry, Japanese knotweed (invasive species)

#### Intersection of Storey and Lorane to 28<sup>th</sup> and Friendly

- Intersection of Lorane/Friendly/Storey is a “circus” in the winter

- The intersection is very dangerous when icy
- Drivers run the stop signs
- Very nice surrounding tree canopy
- Water runs up through the roadbed
- Driving up Friendly to turn right onto Lorane is challenging
- Can Friendly be realigned to go straight through to Lorane?
- This intersection is very dangerous for pedestrians and cyclists
- More unattractive overhead lines
- Intersection acts as a traffic calming device
- Friendly down to 28<sup>th</sup> is very steep
- Difference in scenery: forested uphill and more open closer to 28<sup>th</sup>
- Plenty of on-street parking
- The east side of Friendly has a bad drainage problem
- Newer, high-density housing being built
- Nice garden on the southwest corner of 28<sup>th</sup> and Friendly
- Drivers speed up Friendly (unsafe and loud)
- Intersection of 28<sup>th</sup> and Friendly is dangerous (“no turn on red” sign for northbound drivers)
- Maintain similarity between Storey and Lorane

### **Public Involvement Tools and Next Steps**

This item was tabled for discussion at the next scheduled CDCT meeting on August 17th.

### **August 17 Meeting Preparation, Calendar Review and Check-Out**

Discussion during this agenda item was brief and primarily centered on setting the agenda for the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. The main topics of the August 17<sup>th</sup> meeting are the public involvement tools and next steps and the Engineering 101 piece.

Several comments were made surrounding the need to seamlessly integrate the proposed construction with existing roads in the neighborhood. City staff discussed the project scope and the necessity of including boundaries to make the project manageable.

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